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SUBJECT: NATIONAL DAY MESSAGE

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1. PLEASE DELIVER THE FOLLOWING MESSAGE TO PRESIDENT
MOBUTU AT APPROPRIATE TIME PRIOR TO NOVEMBER 24.

QUOTE. DEAR MR. PRESIDENT: ON THE OCCASION OF THE
ELEVENTH ANNIVERSARY OF THE SECOND REPUBLIC AND YOUR
ACCESSION TO THE OFFICE OF PRESIDENT, I EXTEND TO YOU
AND TO THE PEOPLE OF ZAIRE MY CONGRATULATIONS AND
GOOD WISHES.

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ON THIS SPECIAL DAY THE ZAIRIAN PEOPLE CAN TAKE GREAT

PRIDE IN THEIR ACCOMPLISHMENTS OF THE PAST ELEVEN YEARS.
ZAIRE HAS DEVELOPED ITS SOCIETY, SEEKING TO DO SO BY
FINDING METHODS UNIQUELY ZAIRIAN. ZAIRE HAS ACHIEVED
A LEADING ROLE AMONG AFRICAN NATIONS IN THEIR SEARCH
FOR AFRICAN SOLUTIONS TO AFRICAN PROBLEMS. ZAIRE HAS
EARNED A POSITION OF RESPECT AND RESPONSIBILITY IN
WORLD FORUMS BY MAINTAINING THE PRINCIPLE OF NON-ALIGNMENT.

ZAIRIANS CAN BE TRULY PROUD THAT THESE AND OTHER IMPORTANT

ACHIEVEMENTS HAVE LAID SO SOLID A FOUNDATION FOR THE
FUTURE OF THEIR COUNTRY. I AM PLEASED THAT OUR TWO
NATIONS HAVE COOPERATED SO CLOSELY DURING THESE YEARS
OF ACCOMPLISHMENT, AND I AM CONFIDENT THAT THE WARM
AND MUTUALLY BENEFICIAL RELATIONS WHICH EXIST BETWEEN
THE UNITED STATES AND ZAIRE WILL CONTINUE TO GROW IN
THE YEARS AHEAD.

ON BEHALF OF THE AMERICAN PEOPLE I EXTEND TO YOU AND
THE PEOPLE OF ZAIRE BEST WISHES FOR CONTINUED PEACE
AND PROGRESS. SINCERELY, GERALD R. FORD. UNQUOTE

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